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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 1534**

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**1534. Ms L H Arries (EFF) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

What total number of applicants for a temporary disability grant are waiting on medical doctor assessments?

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**REPLY:**

The table below indicates the numbers of applicants booked for medical assessments for disability grants. It is only once the assessment has been done that it will be known whether the grant is awarded as a temporary or permanent disability grant, as this classification is determined by the presenting medical condition. A temporary disability grant is awarded where there is a likelihood that the medical condition or disability is not likely to present for a period of longer than twelve (12) months.

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| **Clients Awaiting To Be Medically Assessed for a Disability Grant**  |
| **Region** | **Upcoming Assessment\*** |
| WESTERN CAPE | 8 049 |
| EASTERN CAPE | 958 |
| KWAZULU NATAL | 4 461 |
| LIMPOPO | 2 657 |
| NORTHERN CAPE | 773 |
| FREE STATE | 1 427 |
| GAUTENG | 6 737 |
| NORTH WEST | 2 243 |
| MPUMALANGA | 2 653 |
| **TOTAL**  | **29 958** |
| * **Schedule for the period until the month of June 2022**
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